

IN THE CLAIMS:

The listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (Cancelled).

Claim 2. (Currently Amended). The ~~rotor~~ method according to Claim + 13,

wherein the two individual webs (3) have the same size and shape.

Claim 3. (Currently Amended). The ~~rotor~~ method according to Claim + 13,

wherein the circumferential area assumed by an individual web (3) is limited to max. 90°.

Claim 4. (Currently Amended). The ~~rotor~~ method according to Claim + 13,

wherein the area assumed radially by the individual webs (3) is limited to max. 20% of the cylindrical base section.

Claim 5. (Currently Amended). The ~~rotor~~ method according to Claim ~~±~~ 13,

wherein the individual webs (3) of the connecting claw section are case-hardened in edge profiles.

Claim 6. (Currently Amended). The ~~rotor~~ method according to Claim ~~±~~ 13,

wherein the case-hardening in edge profiles is inductively generated.

Claim 7. (Currently Amended). The ~~rotor~~ method according to Claim ~~±~~ 13,

wherein the edge-hardened area is shock cooled.

Claim 8. (Currently Amended). The ~~rotor made of as the sintered metal~~ method according to Claim ~~±~~ 13,

wherein the individual webs (3), including at least one transitional area directly adjacent in the direction of the rotor base body, contain copper that has been infiltrated subsequently into the pressed sintered structure.

Claim 9. (Currently Amended). The ~~rotor~~ method according to Claim 8,

wherein a single web (3) enriched with copper has a specific gravity of at least 7.5 g/cm³.

Claim 10. (Currently Amended). The ~~rotor method~~ according to Claim 9,

wherein the specific gravity is greater than 7.8 g/cm³.

Claim 11. (Currently Amended). The ~~rotor method~~ according to Claim 10,

wherein the specific gravity is at least 7.9 to 8.0 g/cm³.

Claim 12. (Currently Amended). The ~~rotor method~~ according to Claim ~~1~~ 13, having a sintered coupling element,

wherein the coupling element has a cross section that has been adapted to the development of the connecting claw section (2) with a rod-shaped torque abrasion area in the form of an elongated web (10).

Claim 13. (Currently Amended). A method for producing a ~~rotor according to Claim 1,~~ sintered metal rotor of a rotary piston pump, in particular a rotary piston pump for generating a vacuum of a vacuum brake booster of a motor vehicle, where the brake booster can be connected to a vacuum pump intake

connection, with a pot-shaped base body (1) and a bearing journal element which protrudes centrally from the bottom of this base body (1) from a cylindrical foot area coming directly out of the bottom and a connecting claw section (2) to be connected to it for a coupling element to be attached, comprising the features

- the connecting claw section (2) is designed in the form of two protruding individual webs (3),
- the individual webs (3) are diametrically opposed in the outside circumferential area of the cylindrical base section in an area limited to max. 100° at the circumference and radially to max. 25% of the diameter of the cylindrical base section, and
assigning wherein separate rams assigned to the individual webs (3) according to cross section of the web and providing each ram with a separate pressure acting on them in a sintering compression mold for producing the sintered rotor; and
wherein the produced rotor has the structure of a one piece,

press-sintered rotor with differently compressed regions, whereby the individual webs (3) are compressed to a sufficient degree for the material stability required in each region, and the sintering pressure is sufficient to achieve a material density of 6.8 to 7.4 g/cm³.

Claim 14. (Previously Presented). The method for manufacturing a rotor according to Claim 13,

wherein copper that is present in infiltrated form at least in the individual webs (3) penetrates out of a superficially copper layer applied at least to the individual webs (3) and into the sintered structure during the sintering heat treatment.